Mantri's Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP), Hill Area Development Programme (HADP), Border Area Development Programme (BADP) etc. are based on Reports on Progress in Expenditure and Utilisation Certificates. In-addition, the performance of States in the realisation of plan targets are also monitored by Planning Commission through official level discussions with the States, visits of the Commission to the States and in discussions between the Deputy Chairman and the Chief Ministers of States.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Economic Growth Rate in Eastern and North-Eastern States

2084. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the economic growth rate has gone down drastically in Eastern and North Eastern States since the reforms process was undertaken;

(b) if so, whether Union Government propose to announce special status to those States who suffered from liberalization; and

(c) the rate of growth during nineties *vis-a-vis* eighties of the above mentioned States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) The annual rates of economic growth (measured by Gross State Domestic Product at constant 1993-94 prices) for Eastern and North Eastern States are given in Statement I (*see* below). These data do not indicate that the economic growth rate has gone down drastically in Eastern and North Eastern States since the reforms process was undertaken.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The rates of growth during nineties *vis-a-vis* eighties of the Eastern and North Eastern States are given in Statement II.

Statement-I

Annual Growth rates (GSDP) during the Nineties

Sl.	State/U.T.	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98 (P)	1998-99 (Q)	1999-2000 (A)
1.	Arunachal Pr.	1.3	14.2	-5.0	3.4	0.3	11.8
2.	Assam	2.8	2.9	2.9	1.0	-2.3	7.8
3.	Manipur	0.7	5.4	10.5	10.9	5.0	3.9
4.	Meghalaya	3.6	9.2	4.5	6.3	6.9	5.8
5.	Mizoram	—	—	—	—	—	—
6.	Nagaland	7.6	6.9	6.6	7.8	-4.0	NA
7.	Orissa	4.7	5.2	-4.5	13.2	1.7	4.3
8.	Sikkim	—	—	—	—	—	—
9.	Tripura	-0.4	8.4	10.6	10.3	4.9	4.9
10.	West Bengal	1.2	13.4	7.0	8.3	7.0	7.4

Note: NA not Available; P provisional; Q quick Estimates; A Advanced
The State of Mizoram prepares these estimates at current prices only.

Source: Directorates of Economics & Statistics of respective State Governments.

Statement-II

Growth rates (GSDP) during the Eighties and Nineties

Sl. No.	State/U.T.	Growth Rate 1980s	1990s
1.	Arunachal Pr.	8.90	4.12
2.	Assam	4.12	2.49
3.	Manipur	5.03	NA
4.	Meghalaya	5.94	6.01
5.	Mizoram	NA	NA
6.	Nagaland	8.00	NA
7.	Orissa	2.79	3.97
8.	Sikkim	10.95	NA
9.	Tripura	5.66	6.38
10.	West Bengal	4.35	7.32

Note: Eighties data are at constant 1980-81 prices while the Nineties data are on 1993-94 prices
Time period for 1980s 1980-81 to 1990-91 in 1980-81 prices.
Time period for 1990s 1993-94 to 1999-2000 in 1993-94 prices.

Freeezing Outlay for Social Sector Projects

2085. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission has proposed a freeze on the outlay for social sector projects, pertaining to health, education, employment and income generation in the draft approach paper to finalise the Tenth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the impact of this move on the various poverty alleviation schemes and employment generation programmes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) The Draft Tenth Plan Approach Paper is yet to be cleared by the National Development Council (NDC).

(b) and (c) Do not arise.